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New Web site promotes massive home rebate program

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – A new Web site -- <u>www.riversidepublicutilities.com/wholehouse</u> -- has been created to help residents participate in Riverside Public Utilities' (RPU) Whole House Rebate Program.

"This Web site is our way of making it easier for customers to apply, which is in keeping with the one-stop shopping that the program is all about," said RPU General Manager David Wright.

Under this first-of-its-kind program, customers must install a minimum of two energy- or water-saving home improvement measures that offer RPU rebates -- anything from landscaping to water-efficient toilets. Each improvement is assigned points and the total determines which of four tiers the homeowner falls into. Those with 7 to 9 accumulated points will receive 150 percent of listed rebates; 10 to 14 points result in 250 percent; 15 to 29 points will get 300 percent of listed rebates; and those who accumulate 30 or more points will see 350 percent rebate.

The Web site features an application form that calculates rebates for residents. Customers can then print the form and send to RPU with copies of their receipts.

Rebates cannot exceed the purchase price of the product or 50 percent of the project cost, whichever is greater. Customers are limited to \$7,000 of rebates in one year. Property owners need not live in the house to take advantage of the program.

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Established in 1895, Riverside Public Utilities is a consumer-owned water and electric utility governed by a board of nine community volunteers that provides high quality, reliable services to over 106,000 metered electric customers and 64,000 metered water customers throughout the City of Riverside. The Utility is committed to increased use of renewable energy resources and sustainable living practices that help reduce environmental impacts within the City of Riverside and the state of California.

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